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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

After the assignment of a serial number and prior to the initial examination of the above-identified patent application, please make the following amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel original Claims 1 - 21.
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Enter new Claims 1-18 as follows:
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- X.* A method of preparing a vitamin for delivery to a subject, comprising the steps of:
- (a) adding least one vitamin to a wet carrier to form an ingestible mix; and
- (b) freeze-drying the ingestible mix.

A 1 *2.* A method according to Claim 1, wherein the at least one vitamin is in solubilised

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